

House Study Bill 598

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to official traffic control signals monitored by
2 red light cameras.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
4 TLSB 5934HC 81
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1 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 321.258A OFFICIAL TRAFFIC
1 2 CONTROL SIGNAL WITH RED LIGHT CAMERA.
1 3 1. If a red light camera has been installed at the site of
1 4 an official traffic control signal, the following provisions
1 5 apply, to the extent applicable, to the colored lights or
1 6 colored arrows on the official traffic control signal:
1 7 a. The circular green light shall flash three times before
1 8 the circular yellow light is illuminated.
1 9 b. Any green arrow light shall flash three times before
1 10 the corresponding yellow arrow light is illuminated.
1 11 c. The steady circular yellow light or the steady yellow
1 12 arrow light shall remain illuminated for a minimum of five
1 13 seconds before the steady circular red light is illuminated.
1 14 2. When a circular green light or a green arrow light is
1 15 flashing, the light shall have the same meaning as a steady
1 16 circular green light or a steady green arrow light under
1 17 section 321.257.
1 18 3. For purposes of this section, "red light camera" means
1 19 a device installed on or in proximity to an official traffic
1 20 control signal to produce recorded images for the purpose of
1 21 enforcement of traffic laws.

EXPLANATION

1 22 This bill establishes requirements for traffic control
1 23 signals that are monitored by red light cameras. "Red light
1 24 camera" is defined in the bill as a device that is installed
1 25 on or in proximity to a traffic signal to record images for
1 26 law enforcement purposes. At a location where a red light
1 27 camera is in operation, the green light or green arrow on a
1 28 traffic signal shall flash three times before the yellow light
1 29 or yellow arrow comes on. The yellow light or yellow arrow
1 30 must then remain lit for at least five seconds before the red
1 31 light comes on.
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